



Brownfields 2003 Grant Fact Sheet

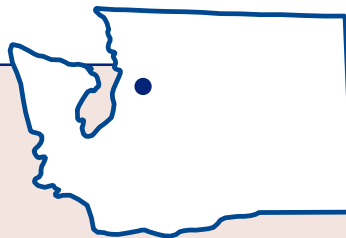
King County, WA

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

King County has been selected to receive an assessment grant. King County and the City of Seattle are a joint EPA Brownfields Showcase Community. King County has identified 726 confirmed or suspected contaminated sites. The majority of these are small sites concentrated within the county's three manufacturing and industrial centers. Many are located near residential areas, including South Park, Georgetown, Allentown, Ballard, and Interbay. The city recently created the King County Contaminated Sites Management Program, which will provide site investigation and remediation services for sites the county owns, wishes to purchase, or takes involuntarily through foreclosure. This program will build on the inventory and assessment work begun through previous brownfields assessment grants.



Assessment Grant

New
2003

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected King County for a brownfields assessment grant. King County will use grant funds to identify sites needing assessment on a community-wide basis and will conduct assessments on publicly owned sites through the new King County Contaminated Sites Management Program. Grant funds also will be used for community outreach.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields/

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www.epa.gov/r10/earth Click on "Superfund," scroll down and click on "Brownfields."

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Prior to receipt of these funds in fiscal year 2003, King County/City of Seattle has received brownfields funding for assessment, job training, and Showcase Community grants.

The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.